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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MARR, AS  
SUBJECT: NPW VISITS

1. AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY RECENTLY REQUESTED FOLLOWING INFO WITH RESPECT TO US NPW VISITS TO FOREIGN AND US PORTS:  
(A) COMPLETE LIST OF ALL PORTS VISITED; (B) DATES OF LAST VISIT, AND (C) INDICATION OF "PORTS NORMALLY VISITED" IN EACH FOREIGN COUNTRY. ON FEBRUARY 28 DEPARTMENT HANDED POL-MIL COUNSELOR MCKEOWN A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF US AND FOREIGN PORTS US NPW'S HAVE VISITED WITH SEPARATE IDENTIFICATION OF (A) FOREIGN PORTS VISITED WITHIN LAST 3 YEARS, AND (B) FOREIGN PORTS LAST VISITED BETWEEN 3 AND 4 YEARS AGO.

2. IN PROVIDING LIST, WE EXPLAINED THAT RESEARCHING PRECISE DATES WOULD REQUIRE ENORMOUS EXPENDITURE OF MAN-HOURS,  
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WHICH IN OUR VIEW COULD NOT REALLY BE JUSTIFIED SINCE THE

INFORMATION ONCE OBTAINED WOULD NOT PROVE ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL. DEPTOFF EXPRESSED HOPE DATA PROVIDED WOULD BE SUFFICIENT BUT INDICATED THAT IF GOA WERE TO DEMONSTRATE REAL NEED FOR EXACT DATES, ETC., WE WOULD CONSIDER MATTER AGAIN.

3. DEPTOFF ALSO OBSERVED WE WERE NOT SURE WHAT GOA MEANT BY "PORTS NORMALLY VISITED," NOTING THAT VISITS ARE NORMALLY NOT ENDS IN THEMSELVES, BUT REFLECT INTERACTION OF SERIES OF OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS. DEPTOFF POINTED OUT TO MCKEOWN THAT LIST RECORDS VISIT DECISIONS WHICH REFLECT 1) DEPLOYMENT OF OUR NUCLEAR FLEET; 2) CURRENT OPERATIONS OF FLEET; AND 3) THE FACILITIES WHICH HAPPEN TO BE AVAILABLE IN VARIOUS PORTS. APPEARANCE OR NON-APPEARANCE OF A GIVEN COUNTRY OR PORT ON THE LIST DOES NOT NECESSARILY IMPLY ANYTHING ABOUT ACCEPTABILITY OF NPW'S. DEPTOFF STRESSED GREATEST CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN DRAWING ANY INFERENCE FROM LIST, AND IN PARTICULAR ANY CONCLUSIONS ABOUT ATTITUDES OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS ON BASIS OF WHETHER THEIR PORTS APPEAR ON LIST AS HAVING BEEN VISITED, OR VISITED IN RECENT YEARS.

4. DEPTOFF ALSO MADE POINT THAT SIMILAR LIST A YEAR OR TWO HENCE MIGHT SHOW A NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL PORTS IN OR NEAR INDIAN OCEAN, WHERE WE EXPECT TO DEPLOY NPW'S MORE FREQUENTLY. IN THIS CONNECTION ACCESS TO FREMANTLE AND DARWIN WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

5. MCKEOWN SAID HE ASSUMED CANBERRA'S INTEREST WAS IN GETTING GENERAL PICTURE OF OUR VISIT PATTERN AND HE THOUGHT INFORMATION PROVIDED WOULD SUFFICE.

6. COPY OF VISIT LIST POUCHED TO EMBASSY FOR NENNO. CASEY

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